To: Ripley, Laura[Ripley.Laura@epa.gov]; Bielenberg, Ben[Bielenberg.Ben@epa.gov]; Ferguson, Ralph[Ferguson.Ralph@epa.gov]; Wood, David[Wood.David@epa.gov]; Blackman, Richard[Blackman.Richard@epa.gov]
Cc: Milbeck, Regina[Milbeck.Regina@epa.gov]; Spelman, John[Spelman.John@epa.gov]; Wilbur, Jennifer[Wilbur.Jennifer@epa.gov]; Burnham, Larry[Burnham.Larry@epa.gov]
From: Phillips, John
Sent: Thur 8/13/2015 3:22:08 PM
Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Laura,

I would definitely recommend including the program (Jennifer and Larry are on this email). Region 7 program folks said that they thought site codes should not go beyond regional boundaries, but Gold King may be different. For instance, we have a few sites (not related to Gold King) in Region 7 that include contamination in Region 6, and we use a Region 6 site code for those areas.

John

From: Ripley, Laura
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 10:16 AM
To: Bielenberg, Ben; Ferguson, Ralph; Wood, David; Blackman, Richard
Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John; Phillips, John; Wilbur, Jennifer; Burnham, Larry
Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Ben:

Maybe we can set up a call but I don't know all the players who should be involved so that we can document this process. I would state that generally for Superfund the "site" would the release and where the contamination has come to be located. And although the release happened in R8, R6 and/or R9 – should be utilizing the same SSID if they are working on this "specific" release. I can try to have something set up this afternoon.

Thanks!

--Laura

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From: Bielenberg, Ben
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 11:08 AM
To: Ripley, Laura; Ferguson, Ralph; Wood, David; Blackman, Richard
Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John; Phillips, John; Wilbur, Jennifer; Burnham, Larry
Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Hi Laura,

My understand from the OSCs when this began is that R8 had an existing site ID for assessment work, but this removal action is not part of that assessment so a new SSID was established, and since this is not an R6 and R9 site, but a response, they set up their own IDs to track their costs associated with their efforts.

BB

From: Ripley, Laura
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 8:56 AM
To: Bielenberg, Ben; Ferguson, Ralph; Wood, David; Blackman, Richard
Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John; Phillips, John; Wilbur, Jennifer; Burnham, Larry
Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Ben:

I'm confused as to why there are two SSIDs. I would think that there was only one release and the Site/Project established should be for that 'one release'.

And if you have a SOP on your structure, then I would agree you should stick to that structure. It would be helpful if someone from OSWER and/or the EOC provided some specific instructions so that we have this documented in the future.

Thanks!

--Laura

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From: Bielenberg, Ben
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 10:32 AM
To: Ferguson, Ralph; Wood, David; Blackman, Richard; Ripley, Laura
Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John; Phillips, John
Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Hi All,

To clarify from my perspective I think we all have our SSID's, we just need to clarify where folks are working and for whom. For example, anyone deploying for R8, will be charging R8…we had and R1 and R3 person deploy yesterday and today and they will be charging to R8 accounts since they are part of the R8 IMT structure. That info is in our deployment guide when the resource is requested by the IC and Area Commander. That's what we've done during past responses when requesting support resources from other orgs and I'm thinking we stick with that.

Richard and Laura…FYI…we're working on an overall funds request to OSWER for assistance in Pay, travel and contracts. Should be done soon. We've let Maria know earlier this week as well as Josh Woodyard in OSWER.

BB

From: Ferguson, Ralph
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 8:19 AM
To: Bielenberg, Ben; Wood, David
Cc: Milbeck, Regina; Spelman, John
Subject: FW: SSID for Gold King - update

Good Morning Gentlemen,

I contacted Richard yesterday and we spoke this morning. I tried to address our questions to him as best as possible…if I missed something please let me know and I will send forward. Hopefully they can provide some answers before our meeting today.
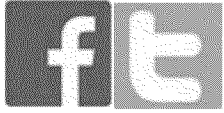

Thanks,

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From: Ferguson, Ralph
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 7:39 AM
To: Blackman, Richard
Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Richard,

R8's site ID is A8K9 and ours is A6LS

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From: Blackman, Richard
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 6:32 AM
To: Ferguson, Ralph
Subject: FW: SSID for Gold King - update

From: Blackman, Richard
Sent: Thursday, August 13, 2015 7:31 AM
To: Ripley, Laura; Nguyen, Khanh
Cc: Layman, Joseph; Volin, Phyllis
Subject: RE: SSID for Gold King - update

Laura,

Question from Region 6.

When Region 8 or 7 people provide support (On-scene coordinators or scientists or whatever) to Region 6, should Region 6 pay for this (and charge the Region 6 accounting info) or should Region 7 or 8 be bearing the cost?

Part of the concern is how we'll be reporting on this later and the end-of-year payroll snapshot.

The three regions have been conducting daily meetings & there's no consistency in how they charge. The three regions have separate site IDs for their own issues (Region 6 is A6L9, Region 7 doesn't have one—they are charging to Region 6's; Region 8 has one, but he doesn't know what it is. Region 9 will also create one since they are responsible for the Navajo nation which is impacted).

bottom line, sounds like OSWER (or somebody) needs to coordinate asap.

richard